



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/717,938  
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Applicant: Thomas A. Trabold  
Group Art Unit: 1745  
Examiner: John S. Maples  
Title: PEM FUEL CELL STACK WITH COATED FLOW  
DISTRIBUTION NETWORK  
Attorney Docket: 8540G-000180 (GP-303076)

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**Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE)**

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed July 10, 2006, Applicant files with this amendment a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant also petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendment prior to examination on the merits.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.